

Bethel Community Forum: Themes and Issues Raised December 18, 2015

Concern that providers do not really understand the needs of the beneficiary and they don't listen well; too many people get sent to Alaska Psychiatric Institute that don't need to be there.

Concern that providers do not always have appropriate training to manage the behaviors of the Severely Mentally Ill population and will send individuals to Alaska Psychiatric Institute instead of providing treatment in place.

Comment about local control and its importance in determining problems and solutions to those problems.

Maintaining stable, experienced staffing is a challenge.